



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY FISH AND GAME
COMMISSION
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
<http://fishandgame.lacountycommissions.info>**

Thursday, January 8, 2015

6:00 PM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (15-0240)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chair John Hybarger, Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg M.D. M.P.H.,
Commissioner James W. Etter and Commissioner Lee Wax

Excused: Commissioner Greg Bombard

Call to Order. (15-0126)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hybarger at 6:03 p.m. followed by roll call.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Election of 2015 Officers. (15-0129)

On motion of Commissioner Lee Wax, seconded by Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg and there being no objection, John Hybarger was re-elected Chair of the Fish and Game Commission.

On motion of Commissioner Lee Wax, seconded by Commissioner James Etter and there being no objection, Sandra Aronberg was re-elected Vice Chair of the Fish and Game Commission.

2. Approval of the August 14, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes. (15-0156)

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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3. Approval of the October 9, 2014 Minutes. (15-0158)

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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4. Consideration and approval of the Commission's 2015 Meeting Schedule. (15-0128)

On motion of Commissioner James Etter, seconded by Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg and unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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5. Review of the Fish and Game Commission's Propagation Fund Summary of Income, Expenditures, and Fund Balance Report, ending November 30, 2014 for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. (15-0130)

Staff reported that the Fish and Game Commission Propagation Fund Balance Report as of December 31, 2014 was \$99,720.86. This total includes an encumbrance of \$10,881.68 leaving the available balance at \$88,839.18.

On motion of Vice Chair Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner James Etter and unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

6. Review of the Fish and Game Commission's Trust Fund Reconciliation Report, ending November 30, 2014 for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. (15-0131)

Staff reported that the Fish and Game Commission's Trust Fund Balance Report for the month of December 31, 2014 is \$6,513.99. This total includes the amount of \$80.00 from the 2014 Fish and Game Conference.

On motion of Commissioner James Etter, seconded by Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg and unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

7. Staff Report on Correspondence Received, and Department Representative Reports for January 8, 2015. (15-0132)

There was no report presented.

8. Recommendation to receive and file correspondence from the State of California Fish and Game Commission and Department of Fish and Wildlife - Wildlife Conservation Board:

Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action relative to:

- Continuation of California Notice Register 2014, No. 34Z, Z2014-0812-07 and Meetings of August 6, 2014 and October 8, 2014, Re: Sport Fishing Regulations for 2015
- Liberty Canyon Wildlife Crossing, Los Angeles County Project ID: 2014152
- Notice of Availability of Negative Declaration for Proposed Amendments to Freshwater Sport Fishing Regulations, Title 14, California Code Regulations
- California Fish and Game Commission Notice of Findings and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Gray Wolf (*Canis Lupus*)
- Big Tujunga Canyon Restoration, Los Angeles County Project ID: 2013014
- Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report: Prohibition on the use of Ammunition Containing Lead for the Take of Wildlife with a Firearm
- Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action Relative to Section 662, Title 14, California Code of Regulations
- Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action Relative to Sections 1.73 and 27.80, Title 14, California Code of Regulations (Ocean Salmon Sport Fishing)
- Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action Relative to subsection (d) of Section 27.80, Title 14, California Code of Regulations
- Notice of Findings regarding the Clear Lake hitch (14-4934)

There being no objections, by Common Consent these items were received and filed.

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II. PRESENTATIONS

9. Presentation and consideration of a grant request from the Hunter Education Instructor Association of Southern California in the amount of -\$500.00 to fund a Hunter Education Instructor program titled "Teaching the Teacher".

Presentation and consideration of a grant request from the Santa Clarita Valley Quail & Upland Wildlife Federation in the amount of \$7700.42 to fund the F&G Guzzler Restoration Program.

Derek Fong, President, Quail & Upland Wildlife Federation
Hunter Education Instructors Association of Southern California (15-0160)

Mr. Derek Fong, President, Hunter Education Instructors Association of Southern California, presented a grant request in the amount of \$500 to fund the Hunter Education Instructor program titled "Teaching the Teacher." Mr. Fong added that this continuing program goes beyond what the State is providing for instructors. The course also has a required element for instructors titled "Bow Hunting" which utilizes Archery equipment and teaches the proper use of equipment and care of an animal that is taken down. The training will take place in an outside setting on the property of the water resources facility. This location has no restroom facilities and part of the funds requested will go towards the purchase of three outhouses that are accessible for disabled persons.

After discussion, on motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the grant fund request for \$500 to fund the Hunter Education Instructor Program.

Mr. Fong provided the Commission with a brief history of the guzzler system. In November 2013, when the Governor proclaimed a water drought, the Captain in charge began to reach out to regional employees to check on the guzzlers. They began by visiting familiar areas and discovered that the maps were incorrect and locations of the guzzlers were much further than mapped in 1972. Mr. Fong also presented a grant in the amount of \$7,700.42 to fund the Fish and Game Guzzler Restoration Program.

Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Lee Wax, seconded by Commissioner James Etter and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the grant fund request for \$7,700.42 to fund the Fish and Game Guzzler Restoration Program.

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III. REPORTS

10. Review of the Fish and Game Commission Projected Budget for 2015. (15-0159)

Chair Hybarger reported that the Budget is submitted annually to the Chief Executive Officer.

Chair Hybarger also reported that he is drafting an amendment to section 7.0 of the budget to add section 7.1 for the Commission Funds and 7.2 for E-Boats funds.

11. Commissioners' Reports for January 2015. (15-0133)

Commissioner Etter addressed the Commission regarding the discussion held at the Fish and Game conference to host a conference twice a year.

Chair Hybarger stated that he spoke with numerous people following the meeting and they expressed interest in meeting twice a year with Los Angeles being the first meeting place and the second gathering will reflect the Southern and Eastern Counties. The idea is to have a conference every six months with the next one tentatively scheduled for May 2015.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

12. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (15-0134)

Mr. Brian Young addressed the Commission regarding requesting funds for the repair of the E-Boat that is now being used by Region six to help monitor their reservoirs. Mr. Young also submitted an estimate in the amount of \$746.02 for the repair of the E-boat. Chair Hybarger advised Mr. Young to submit his request to staff and requested staff to follow-up on the E-boat program process to request funds.

Mr. Young also spoke about the posting of warning signs at Peckwood Park and Puddingstone Park by the Los Angeles County Health Department. He added that the State has requested a report of the reasons for the warning signs and the State is pending a response.

Public Comment

- 13.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (15-0135)

There were no members of the public present to comment.

Adjournment

- 14.** Adjournment for the meeting of January 8, 2015. (15-0136)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.